He was tall and broad, and as active as a

cat. And his voice was music, and his facwas the handsomest that a man ever had. And when he looked at Norah the blushes

came to her face. She turned and ran be-

fore he could ask for the drink of water he

wanted, and much amused and a little surprised he stepped on toward the house,

where the good mother gave him milk and

cream, and laughed proudly when he apol-ogized for startling the maiden. "She does be that shy she will not speak

to a stranger," said Mrs. McInerny, "An

And while the stranger sat and talked-

sly rascal knew when to use it-Norah sat

ing one hand, all meansciously, on her

heart as if to still its unusual beating,

while she listened through the thin parti-tion to the pleasant chat outside. And

how wonderful were the facts she learned!

He was in command of the surveying party.

Of course he was. Such a prince as he could not be second anywhere. He could not have risen step by step like other men,

for he was born to lead other men-and

maidens. His name was Dennis-Dennis Cassidy, and sure, no man had that name

and that voice who was not from the dear

And then-most wonderful of all-she earned that he was going to be in the

neighborhood for some days, perhaps a week. And what was her mother saying?

It could not be that she was asking this prince to stay in their poor home! It had

seemed a very handsome one to her before, but suddenly it grew mean in her eyes

And it was simply a dream that he was accepting the invitation. To be under the

But she was, and be sure that not many

days were gone from that week before that

fine lad, with his bold and downright Irish

ways and the winning music in his voice,

had chased away her shypess. And when

Norah knew that her heart was gone too.

How she missed the fairies! For this

child woman knew as well as she ever did

they were not so far away. And she must not pray to her godmother, and however

it was she could not tell, but she could not

pray to the Virgin about this. She was not

ashamed of her love. Oh! no, she was proud of it; but she could not speak of it

in her prayers, nor even to her mother.

SHE SAID YES.

loved her or not. He had said nothing. He

had not even promised to come back, and

she had not asked him to. So he had rid-den away and she had smiled on him as he

went, keeping back the tears till later. Why were the fuiries so far away?

The summer was waning when he went, and the strong autumn winds that were

soon blowing brought a chill that she had

never felt before, strong and healthy as

the cruel weeks went by, each one coming

like an envious foe between her and her

love who was not her lover. And the prairie flowers faded, and the grass lost its

Came Hallowe'en. All the wonders of

that night had been treasured up in her

small store of knowledge since she was a

child and had played at Hallowe'en games

with the other children around finis-killen. They were almost the only games

she played with them. She had tried often enough when she was a child the peeping

into the future, and had always been satis-

fied when her mother told her that her

time had not come yet, but as she had

grown into maidenhood she had been too

shy to confess even to herself that she might ever have a lover. But now-

There were ways that a maiden might

And she did not know whether Dennis

me roof with him for a week!

that the fairies were her friends.

old Emerald isle.

in her own room blushing still, and he

faith, it's moighty few she sees.



New Orleans' Long Chain of Ghastly Murders.

ASSASSINATION OF HENNESSY.

Blood Went Refere and Blood Has Com-After the Famous Police Chief's Tragic Death-Billings' Strange Experiences. How James Herrington Was Persecuted.

A story of blood such as the newspapers of the United States have, perhaps, never before had to tell is that of the murder of Superintendent or (as he was always known) "Chief" David C. Hennessy, of the New Orleans police force. To begin with, assassinations have for many years been frequent in the history of the Hen nessy family. Dave's father was killed by Tony Guerin; a friend of the murdered man shot the murderer, and, in turn, was himself murdered. Then Dave's brother who killed his brother. It seems to be generally agreed, however, that this remarkable series of crimes had nothing to do with the murder of Dave, which is laid at the door of an Italian society, La Mafia.

This society has been in existence among New Orleans Italians (many of whom are of the lowest class of Sicilians) for thirtyfive years, and tweaty-nine murders have been committed and laid at its door during that time. An idea of how close its organization is and of how fearful the other Italians are of its vengeance should they reven! any of its secrets may be obtained from the fact that not one of the men who committed the twenty-nine mur-



SOME OF THE SUSPECTS. ders has ever been convicted. Eye wit nesses of the crimes knew that if they told what they had seen they, too, would be

victims, and so refused to testify It may be mentioned inci- wound in his back. still waiting. It may be mentioned inci-dentally that during the trial one of the Since the outrage the warrant and charge enough in the vast solitude, but happy in

him a common enemy of all the criminal been learned that a few nights before his guilty ones to justice.

death a meeting was called at which his murder was agreed upon, plans carefully aid, and assassins hired to do the work. Viewas literally riddled with builts by and a number of superficial wounds, probably made by bird shot.

For a time after his murder New Or- truth is stranger than fiction. leans was so wildly excited that riots and mob violence were barely averted. The

whole city was at fever heat, and the tumult was increased when still shooting in the (who has been

another sensation was added to the list. This was the "bull ring" of the parish prison of Antonio Scaffodi dentified as one fired on the chief) THOMAS H. DUFFT. of the men who

by Thomas H. Duffy, a friend of the mur fered man. The mayor of the city issued a special message referring to the murder a special message referring to the murder and announcing the existence of the terrible secret order in New Orleans, saying that it the more and between Dover and Port Oram, N. J. Isaac Herdman and William rible secret order in New Orleans, saying that it threatened the life of every person | Dagon want to the same stable to get their who offended one of its members.

The whole city was startled by his next

statement, which was to the effect that he had been marked as the next victim. He had just received a letter notifying him of Mr. A. J. Peeler, the man who identified netto and Sebastono Incardono-as the ins of Chief Hennessy, was also informed through the mails that he would soon be killed. A "committee of safety" was organized by citizens and officials, which issued an address to the Italian society saying that they intended to crush out the murderous societies, "peaceably and lawfully if we can, violently and summarily if we must."

Dozens of gravets have been made of Italians suspected of knowledge of or complicity in the crime, and it is very probable that Chief Hennessy's slayers will be speedtly brought to justice. Among the men most strongly suspected are those whose portraits are given in the group picture-Sastrono Gerdonos, Antonio Bagnetto Antonio Scaffed, (D. Sty a victim). Antonio atarcheoa, Tony Matrango (one of the men fred upon by the Proventance) and Foreto

Iowa has a famous case too, but it con sists of the practical acquittal of a man who had been convicted on two previous trials of murder, on the ground that the man whom he was accessed of nurriering

in reality committed suicide. M. E. Billings was sentenced to impris- great deal nows mys. These ties make excament for life in 1883 for the murder of cellent posts. This use is a great savi-

er county. Dhings was a lawyer, and Kingsley occupied an office with him and boarded in his house. Kingsley was young,

and Billings, who was past hisprime, 200

suspected his youthful and prepossessing asso inte of intimacy with his wife. The separation of offices, and Kingsley left Billings house. On Dec. 21, 1887, Billings

went to Kings-M. E. BILLINGS. ley's office and had a dispute that was overheard by volver with two empty barrels was found near Kingsley's right hand as he lay on the floor, alive but unconscious, with a wound in the head. Billings' own pistol was in his overcoat pocket and had not been discharged.

No arrest was made until the coroner's jury had brought to light the fact that Billings had visited Kingsley's office to ex-tort money for damages on account of the ected relations between the dead man and Billings' wife. He was arrested, tried, convicted and

sentenced, as has already been told, but an appeal was taked and granted, the second was assassinated, and Dave played his part trial taking place in an adjoining county, in the bloody drama by killing the man Again he was convicted, and again given a life sentence, although the judge who passed the second sentence said from the bench that no evidence pointed to the guilt of the prisoner, and everything indicated that the dead man had killed himself. Yet he refused to set aside the verdict and passed sentence.
The case being appealed for the second

time, the supreme court has again reversed the decision of the lower court, and Billings will probably be free before long. But his two years and more in jail have made him an old man. His hair is white, his step faltering and he is penniless. This is only one more evidence that innocent men sometimes suffer from the verdicts of mis-

A crime in which only one man was inand from which he escaped with his life, seems almost tame and uninteresting after the awful story of the New Orleans murders; but the ncredible cruelty with which Law-

yer James Her-JAMES HERRINGTON. rington was treated in Bakersfield, Cal., must be accorded a place among the most frightful pieces of

Herrington had, he says, incurred the enmity of a "ring" of land speculators, and to them he attributed his frightful in the jail at Bakersfield at the time the outrage was committed, having been arrington says, acknowledged that he did shtay here we'll have none o' thim three not read it. Herrington was taken to jail in a year, for the bitther had times is comand says he knew at once that he would be to th' oud country, an' man mobbed. He told the sheriff of his fears ber'll have nayther bit nor sup and asked to be allowed to retain posses-sion of a revolver with which to defend we can, for, praise God! nayther wan o' us was refused, and he sat down in his cell to shtarvin wait for the mob. The vigil was a short

Our readers are all familiar with the circumstances which immediately caused the months and existed between the employes of two had existed between the employes of two rival appropriate from the jail, stripped and covered with fairles, who knew so much and who could rival stevedoring firms—the Provenzanos coal tar and what he says was acid of do so much, should not carry some of all and the Matrangos. In June a gang of the some sort. Then he was forced to climb a this plenty across the sea. She did not Provenzance lay in wait for and fired upon a party of Matrango. Then Chief Hense was forced to climb a barbed wire fence and make his way as best he could out of the country. When nessy announced his intention of putting a stop to the ghastly business at once, and went to work with a vengeance. Six flations of his body had been literally cooked in were arrested and convicted, but were limited and was hanging in shreets, and and was langing in shreets, and away the literally cooked by the acid and was hanging in shreets.

Stout hands and willing hearts will make a home almost anywhere, and away and no word came from Dennis. granted a new trial for which they are and he had lost much blood from the out on the prairie there was soon a little

principal witnesses was assussinated.

But Chief Hennessy was not satisfied against Herrington, which he declares one another's love. Only little Noran were trumped up by his enemies for the grieved for the fairles, and wondered always and the ball formation for the latter of the l with these arrests and convictions. He sole purpose of getting him in their power, proposed to blot out the murderous Italian societies in New Orleans, and began stands against him in the county where he she asked her mother if she might not the collection of evidence in this country was so inhumanly persecuted. He claims and in Italy for that purpose. This made to have recognized some of the crowd implicated, and hopes by the aid of law abid-Italian classes of New Orleans, and it has ing citizens of the vicinity to bring the

The three cases which are told of above -Chief Hennessy's assussination with its | ten-and who ever heard of a fairy godattendant murders, the vicissitudes that mother forgetting? have surrounded Billings and the persea gang of Italians ambushed near his cution of James Horrington—would be, home, receiving six "penetrating wounds" all of them, as thrilling tales, if told in black eyes and pale thin features, grew into all their detail, as any ever evolved fro brain of novelist or playwright. Verily

> The foolishness of "guying" is well illustrated by a shooting affray near George-town, Conn. Clarence Osborne, a well to do and popular young farmer, while driving through some woods met William Lobdell, a 17-year-old vagabond, with whom he had some acquaintance. Lobdell was bunting and carried a gun. Osborne, after a moment's conversation, remarked that the gun was too big for its owner. This angered Lobdell, who made a sharp retort. Then Osborne in turn got angry. and alighting from his wagon advanced toward Lobdell. Lobdell raised the gun, fired and probably fatally injured Osborna

A case in which one canal boat captain mules. Herdman came out with his. hitched on and drove away. Dagon did not appear. Finally Dagon's son went to look for his father, and found him lying near the stable unconscious. The derons intentions of the Italians. leaves near by were spattered with blood Mr. A. J. Peeler, the man who identified and Dagon's face was terribly battered, three men—Antonio Scaffodi, Antonio Bagcame up with Herdman's boat its captain had disappeared.

Col. T. W. Higginson says of himself that the printers' ink in his blood is really 200 years old, his first American progeni tor, Rev. Francis Higginson, of Salem. having come to America about 1629, and published a book, "New England's Planta tion," which is still reprinted. At Harvard college Col. Higginson's literary training was committed to Professor Edward Chauning, the admirable teacher who instructed so many good writers, including Emerson, Motley, Holmes, Edward Everett Hale and others.-Harper's Baner.

What Becomes of the Old Ties.

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### A HALLOWEEN AFFAIR.

HOW NORAH M'INERNY WAS HELPED BY THE FAIRIES.

The Broad Shouldered, Blue Eyed Prince Who Came to Her Home and Changed the World for Her-"She Looked in His Eyes and Said Yes."

[Copyright by American Press Association.] When you have grown up among fairies, and have known them well, and have known that they loved you, it is hard to have your father and mother suddenly move to America. Everybody knows that occupants of rooms adjoining. At length there are no fairles at all in the new west two pistol shots were heard, a heavy fall ern states, and no ship that ever sailed followed and Billings bounded down the stairway exclaiming, "I am shot:" A re-



SHE HAD NEVER QUITE SEEN THEM. erny knew that, little as she knew of the great desolate world she was wandering about in. She knew many fairies around Inniskillen. From the time her mother had first told her about her fairy godmother who had done so much for her, she had loved the wee people, and when the other children had gathered together for their games Norah had always stolen away into the groves and dells she knew so well to talk with her little friends. She had never quite seen them, though some-times she almost had, and she had many a time found their footprints, and had heard their faint songs plainly whenever she lay on the fragrant grass with her eyes closed. And she knew her godmother loved her, for the McInernys were poor and many a choice trifle came to Norah which her father could not afford to buy, and there was many a cake of wheaten bread that neither father nor mother would cat lest the fairy

godmother should be angered But the year of the famine came, and all manner of sorrows fell on all the people around, so that those who could, fled from ersecution. Herrington was incarcerated the homes they could not keep, and Mc Inerny was one.

"Praise God! we have a little hoard put rested on a warrant fifteen days old and by, Ellen," he said to the wife, "an' we signed by a justice of the peace who, Her- have good health and stren'th. Ay we shtay here we'll have none o' thim three to th' ould counthry, an' many a neighhimself in case of attack. This request c'd kape a penny put by an' the neighbors

And Norah cried and said good-by to the fairies with her little heart breaking, and In less than an hour a howling crowd of went with father and mother on the great masked men forced their way into the jail ship that sailed so many days to the west, and to Herrington's cell. He sprang to the And still westward for many days more door and defended himself as well as he they went, in wonderful cars that sped like could with his fists. He was soon knocked light itself, over hills and through cities, down, however, and as he fell was shot in till there were no more hills and no more the back. The man who shot him dropped cities, but prairies of waving grain as far the pistol and Herrington grabbed it, but as the eye could reach in every direction.

> ways whether they had forgotten her. She had told her bends and prayed to the holy Virgin, Mrs. McInerny said to. Prayers haps a fairy spell would work, even across the sea, if the good people had not forgot

And winters and summers went by, and om a tall, slender damsel with a merry heart and rosy cheeks. She was shy as the fawns that she sometimes saw on the prairies, to the snug house that had replaced the shanty Norsh would shrink away, ala afraid to meet his eyes. The nearest neigh-



SHE TURNED AND RAN.

fors were more than a mile away, and she knew them, of course, but seldem saw hem. Alone, excepting for the father and mother who loved her so tenderly, she grew up as pure and as natural as the wild hirds she loved so well.

And by and by the damsel stood on that strange borderland of womanhood where aint breezes seemed to be wafted from an unknown world into her heart, that stood till is wonder and doubt. Vague unres and bewildering dreams that could not be remembered, and that were all too mays terious to be understood, disturbed the value of maidenhood. And then a miracle!

The whole world changed. One of the great railroads that spread out like spiders' webs across the vast soiltudes of the west came pushing along toward the quiet home. A party of surand their funny little memorandum books. come within a quarter of a mile of the conestend. It was not wonderful to them. Cheir business was to work miracles or to propare for them. But to the McInerry's one case it is an initial superscribing in the it was the bringing of the whole round other a stupid mistake, in either a hum

### And the prince chare with the surveyed; party. It was the very one that the fairy godmother had promised to Norah when she was born. Norah knew him at once. M. M. Murdock & Bro., Proprietors.

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> with Two Pugnacious Dudes. A dezen years ago a garden was located in the eastern end of that long and narrow southern watering place, Hot Springs, Ark. As all visitors to that little city among the delectable Ozark mountains at

the time indicated will remember, this garden contained a bear, which served as the principal attraction to draw a crowd. One hot day in July, after bruin had "rasseled" down Black Dan, a burly African employed for the purpose, and had of which lacked the spirit to defend their rather limited stock of sweets, an amusing

chain something like thirty feet in length

his tether permitted. Van Werd.
"The stupid brute!" growled the white Main Street.

Something, though, must be tried. The tinned his circular tramp, swinging his dumb rule in her heart at Dennis' silence | head slowly. Each time be approached the twain the one with the umbrella struck him, and the two laughed in unison. Soon various onlookers observed that Bruin was dragging a good deal of elack chain behind him, and that his annoyers were standing upon his besten track. Suddenly, with a quickness hardly to be expected from an animal of his ungainly motions, the bear termenter in his enermous arms. The pretty new plaything; one the putter of a next instant they were rolling over and over horse's boofs along the rough road, and in across the circular road of ground. Some the stake in the center of his domain, be aide which he sat in indisputable enjoy ment of the scene.

learn if you have me, for I love you more the most cleanly place imaginable, and than I can ever refl." cally his white clothing and fine feelings had suffered sad injuries. He left that night for his home.—Chicago Special Press Bureau.

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ered curiosity. This gertleman was, how ever, too late to see the bird alive. It per taken of it, or through fright at the num

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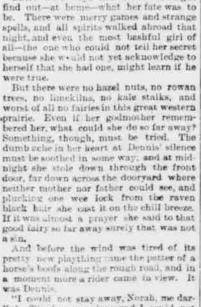
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must be soothed in some way; and at midnight she stole down through the front door, far down across the dooryard where neither mother nor father could see, and If it was almost a prayer she said to that good fairy so far away surely that was not a moment more a rider came in view. It was Dennis. The days were long and I could not set," he said. "I have come back to And she looked into his gladeses gladly

DAVID A. CURTIS. and said "You" Great Success Due to Diet. Who were the great victors of the Eight eenth century? Voltaire, who lived on coffee, and had soo weak a stomach to bear much food, Washington, who was spare and abstemious, and at the revolution

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bur and a ment.-New York Ledger.

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incident occurred. 'It's a swindle, a hippodrome!" growled a youthful Hebrew, conspicuous for his white duck suit and shiny silk hat. "Fil bet that those lazy old drones will call around after their share of the rake off." Then he and a friend followed Bruin as he was led away to an open space among the all-the one who could not tell her secret pine trees and fastened to a stake by a herself that she had one, might learn if he | Left to himself the animal began traveling round and round in the largest circle

> suited Israelite as he poked the animal with his silk umbrella. The bear receded a little and then con-

The tramping ground of a bear is not

exted in the discovery of a rare bird in the shape of a snow white swallow. This novel specimen of the feathered tribe came to life lately in a nest which was built by get it and a cup of tea.—Mrs. Crawford in of Grenelle. The white bird was born with two black sperimens, ope of which upon the tradesman, in order to keep the other two, transformed the glass ruofed

white swallow, and will be sent to the leading naturalists of the city, one of whom as 19,680 feet, there would be a road of dry went to Grenelle in order to study the feathland from Newfoundland to Ireland ished probably because too much care was bers of people who came to stare at it as a natural curiosity. The dead bird will now be stuffed and sent to the museum at the Botanical Gardens, where there is already a white magpie, which still lives and hope about among its companions, from which

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